--- “Series of 1897” - 25 Cigars - (1897-1915) ---

--- *recess printed* in BLACK ink on horizontal mesh wove - 295 x 22 mm - scanned at 50% scale ---

--- with the 22 mm. [American Bank Note Co. Ottawa **] imprint - *with* 4½ mm. red controls ---**

The catalogue lists the recess printed black twenty-five cigar “Series of 1897” strips as follows:

RG-394 - 25 cigars, black, coarse roulette, on horizontal mesh wove - 4½ mm red controls
RG-395† - 25 cigars, black, perf 12, on horizontal mesh wove - 4½ mm red controls

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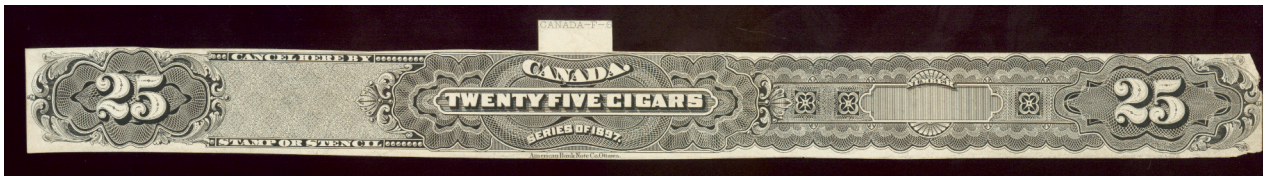
★**RG-394** - 25 cigars, black, *coarse roulette,* on horizontal mesh wove, control number **1103241**, with an unreadable violet roller cancellation - scanned at 50% scale

068907		RG-394	25 cigars, black, coarse roulette, on horizontal mesh wove - broken
091732	11/02	RG-394 **	25 cigars, black, coarse roulette, on horizontal mesh wove, a wooden box of **David Harum - 1902-1903** by “J.F. Nolan”, London [**20-32**] date stamped on the box bottom **Nov., 25, 1902**
518256		RG-394	25 cigars, black, coarse roulette, on horizontal mesh wove
603810		RG-394	25 cigars, black, coarse roulette, on horizontal mesh wove
1103241 ★		RG-394	25 cigars, black, coarse roulette, on horizontal mesh wove, with an unreadable purple roller cancellation
2024266★		RG-394 **	25 cigars, black, coarse roulette, on horizontal mesh wove, a wooden box of **Non Plus Ultra** cigars, by “Miller & Lockwell” - [**4 - 8**]
2676614★		RG-394 **	25 cigars, black, coarse roulette, on horizontal mesh wove, a wooden box of **The Jap** cigars, by “John McNee”, London - [**7 - 32**]
2921818★		RG-394 **	25 cigars, black, coarse roulette, on horizontal mesh wove, a wooden box of **Honsinger Panetelas**, by “B.F. Honsinger”, St. Thomas [**13 - 32**]
4182945★		RG-394 **	25 cigars, black, coarse roulette, on horizontal mesh wove, a wooden ‘book’ of **Dolly Varden**, by “William Ward”, London, Ontario [**11 - 32**]
6031xxx★		RG-394 **	25 cigars, black, coarse roulette, on horizontal mesh wove, a wooden box of **La Fortuna** cigars, by “Goulet Bros.”, Montreal [**4 - 17**]
6904368★		RG-394	25 cigars, black, coarse roulette, badly broken, with an unreadable cancellation
7864999-50★		RG-394	25 cigars, black, coarse roulette, on horizontal mesh wove paper
8083299★		RG-394 **	25 cigars, black, coarse roulette, on horizontal mesh wove, a wooden box of **Ben Bey** cigars, by “Ed Youngheart”, Montreal [**21 - 17**]
8230338★		RG-394 **	25 cigars, black, coarse roulette, on horizontal mesh wove, a wooden box of **La Maritana** cigars, by “J. Rattray”, Montreal [**3 - 17**]
985128★	07/13	RG-394 **	25 cigars, black, coarse roulette, on horizontal mesh wove, a wooden box of **Marguerite** cigars, by “Tuckett Cigars”, Montreal [**25 - 17**]
2168529★	10/13	RG-394 **	25 cigars, black, coarse roulette, on horizontal mesh wove, a wooden box of **Lo-Lo Colorado Claro** cigars, by “Jos. Winterhalt”, Berlin, (Kitchener) Ontario [**7 - 28**] - bottom dated *10 / 13*

--- the black Die Proof [CANADA - F - 6] **- scanned at 55% scale ---**

--- with the 22 mm. [American Bank Note Co. Ottawa **] imprint ---**

Unfortunately, at some time in the past, these 1897 die proofs were trimmed as shown above by a person unknown. The longer proofs, in the larger denominations, were trimmed, and then cut into two sections.



★**RG-394 DP** - 25 cigars, the black die proof [CANADA - F - 6] on thick horizontal mesh wove paper, the design measures 297 x 22 mm., without counting the imprint

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★**RG-394n** - 25 cigars, black, *coarse roulette,* on horizontal mesh wove, without control numbering,

★**RG-394n CRP** - 25 cigars, black, *coarse roulette,* on horizontal mesh wove, without control numbering, stamped **CANCELLED** and **Registered** in violet ink

★**RG-394n SP** - 25 cigars, black, *coarse roulette,* on horizontal mesh wove, without control numbering, roller cancelled **TOBACCO** / **A-20** by “C. T. Bates & Co.”, Ottawa

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